

Dear Elimus, friends  
& supporters,

we are pleased to give you again an overview of the activities of our association at the beginning of this year. Year 2020 was for all of us under the influence of the Corona pandemic. Tanzania was not left unscathed, and it is not always easy for us to assess the situation as there aren't many transparent news. Planned trips unfortunately could not take place and also the next trips are still uncertain. In this special situation, constant and intensive contact with the Tanzanian people is very important to us. According to current information, there are no known cases of illness on site and despite the restrictions, our joint projects are progressing very well. But we all read enough Corona news, now we want to report from Tanzania.



A lot has happened again at Dolphin Village. In the meantime, seven children already live in our first family house, the Tembo House. The last child who has arrived is Esther, who was very poorly cared for by her grandmother and came to us in December in a very bad mental and health condition.

**Dolphin  
Village**

One ray of hope happened at the end of the year: Two friends of Elimu decided to visit Dolphin Village despite the Corona pandemic. The Dolphin Kids were very happy about the gifts they brought, and they made a trip to Dar es Salaam. There the children could swim in the sea for the first time!



The construction of our Education Center made great progress last year, too. In the meantime, our new leader of the education center - Tumaini - also lives in Dolphin Village and in these days the first courses are offered for our neighbors from Miono. Initially, literacy courses as well as Swahili and math courses are planned.

In addition - thanks to the support of Siemens - we were able to build a water reservoir that also helps our neighbors with their water supply during the dry season.

We have also recently started supporting the nearby Komkomba School in Miono. This elementary school is attended by our school-aged Dolphin Kids as well as neighboring children. Our goal is to significantly improve learning conditions (e.g. through better furniture, school materials as well as smaller classes). We would like to express our sincere thanks to all donors who have supported us in this effort, including through the 2020 Christmas campaign!

## Project HOPES

For 2020, the development of specific assistance for around 25 children and adolescents was on the agenda. Elimu supported an establishment of a counseling office for parents and children affected by disability. Their disabilities included mobility limitations and hearing and visual impairments. The procurement of wheelchairs could be continued and a second partner factory in Tanzania could be found for the custom-made production. A young Tanzanian sign language teacher completed an internship at HOPES. Christopher and Christina are tirelessly engaged in the HOPES project. In 2020, a small support center was built and enabled early support and school education for ten children, whose chances of social and later professional participation are significantly improved.



The construction of a kitchen with an integrated dining room for hot meals has begun and will be completed in the first quarter of 2021. Crowdfunding was launched to refinance the construction costs and has already raised nearly a third of the costs. Feel free to take a look:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/forderzentrum-fur-kinder-mit-beeintrachtigungen?qid=caeaccb413caafddc3dd6445133ad5dc>

The sponsorship concept for financing school education in the HOPES support center was concretized. Sponsorships can be obtained for the school children with disabilities. We are happy to receive many messages and requests:

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We also continued to support the Chipole Orphanage in 2020. We finance the salaries of the employees who work day in and day out to care for the children. The ongoing salary payments have helped the team around Sister Aquinata to improve the care of the children. The work of the women cannot be taken for granted. The care of the children is very intensive and challenging. Therefore, it continues to be our goal to support the orphanage in the best possible way. Even more we hope to be able to visit the orphanage in 2021 to get a better picture of the situation and probably generate new ideas for the cooperation.



Chipole Orphanage

Dolphin Bags became Pomboo Bags. Pomboo is Kiswahili and means dolphin. In this way, we would like to confirm our commitment to Tanzania. You can now find us at: [www.pomboo.de](http://www.pomboo.de)

# POMBOO

In fall 2020, we held a few t-shirt events. Here, participants could create their own shirts for a donation. In December, there were Christmas bazaars in Augsburg and Düsseldorf. Among other things, numerous bags were sold. A big thank you to the teams on site for their active support! Due to these extensive sales, the first products on the homepage are sold out. New products are already in works in Tanzania and are expected to be available for sale in Germany in the summer.

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